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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1645
PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 2356.0043-03**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Philippe SANSONETTI et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1645
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Application No.: 10/814,589)	Examiner: NAVARRO, Albert Mark
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Sir:

REPLY AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2005, the period for response having been extended to March 15, 2006, by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants submit the following comments and the attached Terminal Disclaimer and Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) to place this application in condition for allowance.

As an initial matter, applicants thank the examiner for withdrawing the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The Examiner maintained the rejection of claims 14-52 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, as allegedly unpatentable over claims 1-5 of Patent No. 5,762,941. In response, Applicants submit the attached Terminal Disclaimer, executed by authorized

representatives of Institut Pasteur and Institut National de la Sante et de la Recherche Medicale, co-assignees of the entire right, title and interest in this application and Patent No. 5,762,941, as demonstrated by the Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).


Applicants submit that the Terminal Disclaimer obviates the rejection for alleged obviousness-type double patenting and respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn and the pending claims 14-52 allowed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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